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3 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**
4 **DISTRICT OF NEVADA**
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6 MUNJED AL MUDERIS, et al.,

7 Plaintiff,

8 v.

9 FRED HERNANDEZ, et al.,

10 Defendant.

Case No. 2:22-cv-00876-GMN-NJK

Order

[Docket Nos. 186, 187, 188]

11 Pending before the Court are a motion to dismiss counsel and a motion for appointment of
12 counsel filed by contemnor Defendant Fred Hernandez. Docket Nos. 186, 187. The motion does
13 not include any points and authorities that appointment of counsel is proper in this type of contempt
14 matter. The motion also does not include any factual showing of indigency.¹ Accordingly, the
15 motion to dismiss counsel (Docket No. 186) and the motion for appointment of counsel (Docket
16 No. 187) are **DENIED** without prejudice.

17 Also pending before the Court is a motion to combine cases filed by Defendant Hernandez
18 *pro se*. Docket No. 188. Although the Court in its discretion entertains *pro se* motions regarding
19 dismissal and appointment of counsel, the governing rules more generally prohibit parties from
20 themselves seeking relief while represented by counsel. Local Rule IA 11-6(a). As Defendant
21 Hernandez continues to be represented by counsel at this time, his motion to combine cases was
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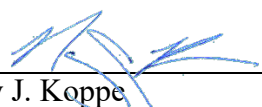
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¹ Indigency must generally be shown through detailed and sworn attestations made under penalty of perjury, not simply by stating that one is indigent. *See* Docket No. 186 at 2.

1 improperly filed. The motion to combine cases (Docket No. 188) is **DENIED** without prejudice
2 on this basis.

3 IT IS SO ORDERED.

4 DATED: March 4, 2025

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Nancy J. Koppe
United States Magistrate Judge